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BY ECF

The Honorable Vernon S. Broderick
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
United States Courthouse
40 Foley Square
New York, New York 10007

**Re: United States v. Paul Ceglia,
12 Cr. 876 (VSB)**

Dear Judge Broderick:

The Government writes to inform the Court regarding the status of the Government's efforts to extradite Paul Ceglia from Ecuador to face charges in the above-captioned case. The Government understands that on or about February 13, 2019, the National Court of Justice ("NCJ") denied the defendant's appeal of the extradition order issued on November 15, 2018. The Government also understands that the decision now passes to the President of Ecuador, who has the final authority to order extradition or to overrule the NCJ. The Government has been advised that there is no deadline for the President to issue his final decision.

Respectfully submitted,

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